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SUBJECT: PRESS REPORTS REACTION TO CIA ALLEGATIONS

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UNDER CAPE TOWN DATELINE, RAND DAILY MAIL FEB 12 REPORTS  
REACTION TO PRESS ARTICLES NAMING ALLEGED CIA PERSONNEL IN  
SOUTH AFRICA. FULL TEXT UNDER HEADLINE QTE VORSTER SILENT ON CIA  
UNQTE. IS AS FOLLOWS:

QTE. CAPE TOWN.- THE PRIME MINISTER, MR. VORSTER,  
YESTERDAY HAD NOTHING TO SAY ON THE PUBLICATION OF NAMES  
OF ALLEGED AMERICAN CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AGENTS OPERATING  
IN SOUTH AFRICA.

OVERSEAS REPORTS HAVE NAMED MR. DORWIN M. WILSON AS CHIEF  
CIA AGENT AND OTHERS AS BEING MR. ERNEST B. BRAND AND  
MR. ARMAND A. HONEYCUTT, COPIES OF REPORTS PUBLISHED IN JOHANNESBURG  
YESTERDAY WERE SENT TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE. LATER, A  
SPOKESMAN SAID THAT MR. VORSTER HAD "NO COMMENT" TO MAKE.

THE UNITED STATES AMBASSADOR, MR. WILLIAM BOWDLER, AT  
AND EMBASSY RECEPTION LAST NIGHT, WOULD ONLY  
SAY "NO COMMENT" WHEN ASKED ABOUT THE ALLEGED CIA AGENTS.

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A STAFF REPORTED WRITES THAT MR. WILSON WAS " INDEFINITELY  
OUT OF TOWN" YESTERDAY.

HIS SECRETARY YESTERDAY REFUSED TO SAY WHERE HE WAS,  
HOW LONG HE HAD BEEN AWAY OR WHEN HE WOULD BE BACK.

WHEN THE RAND DAILY MAIL'S LONDON CORRESPONDENT  
TELEPHONED MR. WILSON IN PRETORIA TWO WEEKS AGO  
SHE SAID THE SAME THING.

MR. WILSON WAS RECENTLY NAMED AS HEAD OF CIA  
OPERATIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA BY A LEFTWING PARIS NEWSPAPER  
AND AMERICAN RADIO STATION. THEY ALSO NAMED  
HIS ALLEGED PREDECESSOR, MR. FRANCIS JETON. UNQTE.  
BOWDLER

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